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SUBJ: GENERAL COMMITTEE I MEETING 13 SEPT.

1. LOS CONFERENCE PRESIDENT (AMERASINGHE) CHAIRED  
BRIEF MEETING OF GENERAL COMMITTEE 13 SEPTEMBER TO HEAR  
ABBREVIATED REPORTS FROM COMITE CHAIRMEN. HE ANNOUNCED  
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WILL BE RECEIVED IN PLENARY  
SESSION 17 SEPT. AMERASINGHE APPEALED TO GROUPS TO CONSULT  
INFORMALLY ON DETAILS ON NEXT SESSION ALONG WITH PROCEDURES  
TO BE FOLLOWED TO AVOID THE CONFUSION (IN COMITE I) OF  
THIS SESSION. NEXT GENERAL COMITE MEETING IS 16 SEPT.

2. COMITE I CHAIRMAN (ENGO) REFERRED TO UN DOCUMENT  
A/CONF/62/C.I/WR.5) AS CONTAINING REPORT OF SCOPE OF  
WORK THIS SESSION. ENGO THEN GAVE PERSONAL ASSESSMENT  
OF SESSION SAYING IT WAS HELD PREMATURELY AND TOO MANY  
DELEGATIONS HAD NO TRUE APPRECIATION OF THEIR FINAL  
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POSITIONS. PROCEDURAL DEBATES WERE TIME CONSUMING AND THERE  
WAS A CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE AND AN UNWILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE.

HE APPEALED TO DELEGATIONS TO BE READY AT NEXT SESSION TO MAKE THE NECESSARY POLITICAL DECISIONS AND SAID TIME LIMITS MAY BE NECESSARY WITH SOME VOTING AT LATER STAGES ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 37. ENGO SAID THERE WAS LITTLE SUPPORT FOR INTER-SESSIONAL WORK; THE TIME HAD COME TO MAKE POLITICAL DECISIONS AND TO MOVE AWAY FROM IDEOLOGICAL DEBATE.

3. COMITE II CHAIRMAN (AGRILAR) BRIEFLY REVIEWED ORGANIZATION AND PROGRESS OF INFORMAL WORK (REPORTED SEPTELS). HE STATED IT WAS THE CLEAR DESIRE OF THE COMITE TO CONTINUE WORK THIS WEEK. REPORT WILL BE PREPARED 16 SEPT AND SUBMITTED FRIDAY.

4. COMITE III CHAIRMAN (YANKOV) GAVE BRIEF REPORT OF WORK AND SAID COMITE MAY MEET FEW MORE TIMES TO DISCUSS REPORT. YANKOV THEN REPEATEDLY REFERRED TO RSNT AS THE ONLY PROCEDURAL DEVICE FOR NEGOTIATIONS, A BALANCED COMPROMISE, AND ATTEMPTS TO MOVE AWAY FROM IT WERE DESTRUCTIVE. ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH HE REMARKED THAT THE GREAT MAJORITY OF DELEGATIONS BELIEVED CONSENT OF THE COASTAL STATE SHOULD CONSTITUTE THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE. YANKOV EXPRESSED OPTIMISM OVER PROGRESS THUS FAR AND BELIEVES A COMPROMISE USING CONSENSUS PROCEDURE IS POSSIBLE.  
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